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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

RAYMOND SELTZER ET AL

APPLICATION NO: 09/234,253

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FOR: INHIBITION OF PULP AND PAPER

YELLOWING USING HYDROXYLMINES

AND OTHER COADDITIVES

Group Art Unit: 1731

Examiner: M. Alvo

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**DECLARATION UNDER RULE 132**

David Vidal, the undersigned, states:

That I received a M. A. Sc. in Chemical Engineering with a specialization in Paper Coating from Ecole Polytechnique of Montreal, Quebec;

That I have been employed by the Pulp and Paper Research Institute of Canada (Paprican) since February, 1998;

That I have approximately 8 years of research and development experience in the field of Paper Coating; that from February 1998 to date I have worked in the Paper Coating Research Program of Paprican;

That I am a recognized expert in Paper Coating;

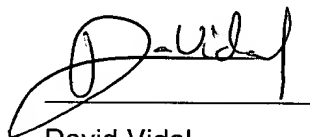
That polyurethane and polyester coatings are unknown as paper coatings.

Support for this statement includes for example the teachings of the following recent references:

- “The Coating Processes”, 1993, pages 15-18;
- “Pigment Coating and Surface Sizing of Paper”, 2000, page 799.
- “Handbook for Pulp and Paper Technologists”, Second Ed., 1997, page 288.

There is no mention of polyurethane or polyester coatings as paper coatings in these references. The index page of the “Pigment Coating and Surface Sizing of Paper” reference, a recent comprehensive review of paper coating, shows no reference to polyurethane or polyester at all.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.



David Vidal

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